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Advisory Action

1.   The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does not

place the application in condition for allowance because:

Applicant's arguments are not persuasive. It's the examiner's position that the reference is

applied herein for the teaching of a novel method and system for load balancing of network

server. As presented in the last office action, the Applicant's attention is directed to Fig. 1 of

Romero (US#2004/0054780) for the structure and schematic illustration of a blade server system

10 for performing load balancing at the blade level, including three separate blades 12a, 12b, 12c

coupled to the management server 14 via LAN 16 (*utilization data transmitted by each blade*

server to the blade server manager through the LAN 16 communications)([0041] plus). Each

blade functions semi-independently and has its own CPU, memory and hard disk (not shown).

Furthermore, Romero discloses in Fig. 4 a flow chart illustrated a process for supporting load

balancing at the blade level. Notably, the process can be performed within blade server 10 for

load balancing at the blade-level. Beginning in block 101, the management module 14 monitors

the throughput of all blades 12a, 12b, 12c within the blade server 100. Namely, the management

module 14 monitors the throughput of the blade server 10 by monitoring the overall I/O

performance of the blade server 10 and monitors the throughput of the blades 12a, b, c by

monitoring the overall I/O performance of the blades at TMDs 28a, b, c.

It's noted that a blade server is sometimes referred to as a high-density server and is

typically used in a clustering of servers that are dedicated to a single task, such as: file sharing,

Web page serving and caching, SSL encrypting of Web communication… Like most clustering

applications, blade servers can also be managed to include load balancing and failover

capabilities.

Examiner maintains that the references cited and applied in the last office actions for the

rejection of the claims 1-26 are maintained in this office action. The final rejection mailed on

November 23, 2007 is therefore maintained.

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